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## TRIO OF ROB-BERS CAUGHT

The Fellows Who Entered Two Mexico Stores Are Caught up With at Sedalia

This paper made brief mention last week of burglars entering Griffie & Martin's and G. W. Robertson's stores here the night following the visit of Hagenbecks & Wallace's show in this city. Griffie & Martin lost but little but Mr. Robertson missed about \$450 in pocket knives and such. Last Saturday a detective of the circus arrested the robbers—three of them—at Sedalia and notified the Mexico officials. Sunday Sheriff J. W. Barnett and City Marshal Sam Wallace went to Sedalia and brought the robbers back here, to the place of their operations. Monday before Judge J. D. Barnett in the Circuit Court they plead guilty to the charge against them and each was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. They were all young fellows, named Wilfred Barlow, Daniel Kelly and William Beasley. They returned most of the goods taken from Mr. Robertson's store.

Circuit Court convened Monday afternoon and the docket for the September term was taken up. The following are serving on the petit jury:

Salt River, Township—A. G. Azdell, Wat Nichols, C. D. Glendy, T. J. Williams, Fred Pilcher, W. H. Coons.

Saling—Ute Fagg, Jack Hawkins.

Wilson—John Beatty, W. H. Blythe, H. T. Vance, E. E. Jones. Linn—L. F. Hagan, Lute Diggs.

Prairie—Gray Wilson, Wallace McCue.

Loutre—F. P. Davis, H. H. Rhodes.

Cuivre—Chas. Green, James Weatherford, Chas. Tanner, G. B. Moore, Fred Naysmith, Wm. Branstetter.

## MARRIED IN IOWA.

Mr. Roland H. Crews of Laddonia, Mo., and Miss Minnie E. Johnson were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents, near Rippey, Iowa, at 4 o'clock, August 30, 1914.

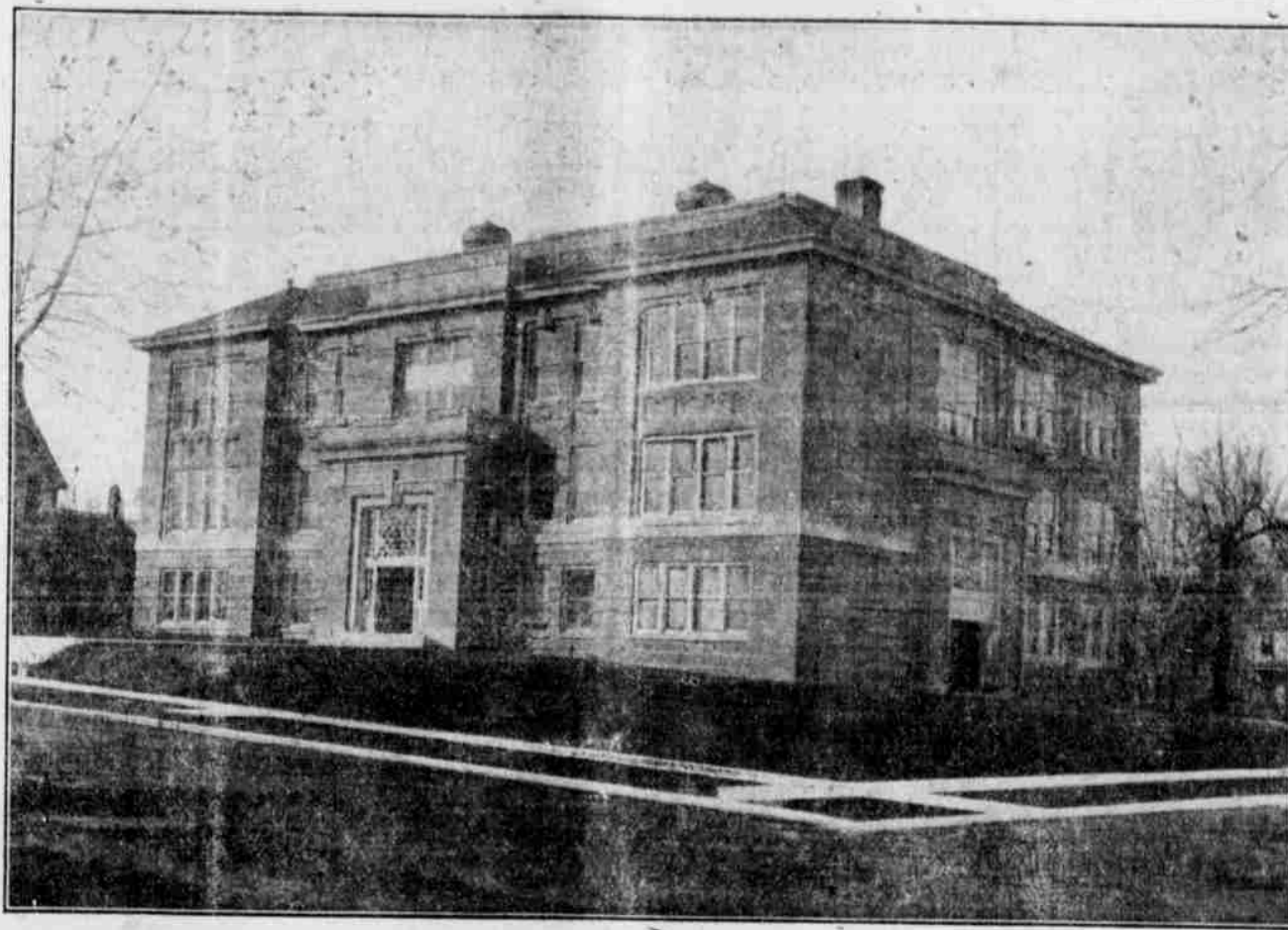
The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. F. Conrey, pastor of the Methodist church, and was witnessed only by the immediate relatives. A dainty luncheon was served at the conclusion of the ceremony.

Mrs. Crews is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson who until two years ago lived at Benton City, Mo., and is a lady of of Mr. and Mrs. Y. E. Crews, who fine traits. Mr. Crews is the son live near Laddonia, Mo., and is a highly respected young farmer.

The bride was becomingly gowned in white silk with embroidered net trimming. The groom wore the conventional black.

The happy young couple will make their home in Iowa, and have the best wishes of their many friends for a long and prosperous journey thru life.

Mrs. A. G. Morgan, northeast of Molino, will celebrate her 84th birthday next Sunday. She is in average good health. Her husband is in his 85th year. He has been very ill lately.



McMillan High School, Mexico, Missouri

## FACULTY McMILLAN HIGH SCHOOL.

Principal, E. B. Street, Science. Elizabeth Gill, Mathematics. Benson Botts, History. Robert Campbell, English Commercial. Clara Haggard, English. James Culbertson, Mathematics, Chemistry. Frances Glandon, Latin. Archie Cook, Domestic Sci-

ence and Arts. H. L. Collett, Manual Training and Mechanical Drawing. Edith Ethridge, Art. Maude Wallace, Music. Libuse Soukup, Teacher Training Course, German. Herbert Pryor, Superintendent.

## Central School.

Miss Nannie Wright, 1st grade; Miss Beth Durkee, 1st grade;

Miss Margaret Pryor, 2nd grade; Miss Addie Cunningham, 3rd grade; Miss Ruth Averitt, 4th grade; Miss Zola Beal, 5th grade; Miss Jennie Kearns, 6th grade; Miss Frances Cauthorn, 6th grade; Miss Mary Stallings, 7th grade; Miss Genevieve Barley, 7th grade; Mr. C. C. Roselle, 8th grade, Principal.

## South Side School.

Miss Sallie Garrett, 1st grade;

Miss Hazeltine Fry, 2nd grade; Miss Willie Whitson, 3rd grade; Miss Beulah Griffin, 4th and 6th grade; Miss Minnie Stallings, 5th grade; Miss Elizabeth Price, 7th grade; Mrs. Laura Hongland, 8th grade, Principal.

High School enrollment at noon Tuesday, 280. That was the first day, too. It breaks the record. Heretofore the enrollment has never gone above 273.

## Some Views and Interviews

Chris Kentzel: I am opening up a business place in the Kemper building. Will have a side room for my alligator. What do I feed that alligator? Ah, just chicken and such. He has to be fed, you know.

Henderson Johnson: Oh, the farm's all right. Won't have to buy feed this winter, and next year we are planning for bumper crops.

Thod Boulware: I have been very much interested in the mutual telephone business, but in late months I have become indifferent about it. I think Mexico should be connected up with the east part of the county. It is urgent that something be doing.

J. H. McGinnis: I am the blacksmith at Skinner. Fine people there as ever I knew. I have seven children, six girls and one boy. Five of the girls are married and each has children. Our boy is 17; we think he is a great fellow. We all believe in the old-fashioned Missouri hospitality, and the latch-string always hangs out.

J. D. Miller: A black cat committed suicide in the Court House the other night. See me and I will "show" you. Well, why not a cat get tired of life? Human beings often get in that mood.

T. T. Bassett: I have sold my farm southeast of Mexico to George Brock and after my public sale Friday of this week I will move to Bond, Miss., where I have purchased land. I retain a home in Mexico and if my health is not bettered I shall move back to Audrain. Think I shall move back in a year or two anyway.

Floyd P. Smith and Frank H. Parker are opening a real estate office in the National Bank Building.

## MRS. LANE RE-ELECTED.

Has Served as President of the Mexico W. C. T. U. Many Years.

Mexico Union, W. C. T. U., last Friday afternoon, re-elected Mrs. J. H. Lane president by a unanimous vote. The following vice-presidents, one from each church, were elected, as follows:

Methodist, Mrs. Ira Ellis; Presbyterian, Mrs. C. W. Peterson; Christian, Mrs. C. M. Null; Baptist, Mrs. A. S. Houston.

Miss Alice Witherspoon was elected secretary. Mrs. Nellie McWilliams was chosen treasurer.

Delegates to the State Convention at Springfield, Sept. 20-26, were chosen, as follows: Mrs. J. W. Million, Mrs. S. P. Emmons and Miss Alice Witherspoon; alternates, Mrs. Kate Peterson, Mrs. Belle Null, and Mrs. B. F. Miller.

The Ways and Means Committee is composed of Mesdames C. R. Gibbs, J. W. Dry, S. N. Evans, B. F. Miller and J. T. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McDonough entertained their children August 31st at a family reunion in honor of their 23rd wedding anniversary. It was also Mr. McDonough's 78th birthday. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Robert McDonough, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Williams and Louis, Mr. and Mrs. Estil McDonough and Ruth of St. Louis, Audrain McDonough, Mr. and Mrs. Erastus J. Emerick and Alice and Philip of St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Town of St. Louis, Mr. Silas McDonough, Miss June Melnotte McDonough of St. Louis, Miss Edna Voges, Miss Mary McDonough, John B. Duncan. This worthy couple were the recipients of many presents. It was truly a good time.

Harrison Biggers, daughter and two grand daughters, of Smithville, Clay Co., are guests of Luther and Albert Biggers and Elizabeth Quakenbush.

## FROM ADJOINING COUNTIES

E. H. Bailey, of Pike county, who was so badly injured by falling from a wagon, received a letter from Champ Clark which he prizes very highly.

William Howard, 65 years old, was found dead in his cornfield near Bloomfield in Callaway last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nutt of Clinton, Mo., have been married 71 years.

Scott county farmers will sow 1000 acres of alfalfa this fall.

A band of Gypsies while passing thru Vernon county supplied their larder by fishing for chickens with grains of corn.

A farmer at Rich Hill, Mo., while helping to unload wheat from a wagon caught the dust from the straw and sneezed so hard that his arm was dislocated at the shoulder. Nothing is said of the weight of the loads he lifted.

Cora May Holmes, 11 years old, just on the outskirts of Fulton, was returning from a shopping trip into town Monday and was killed when a rifle in the hands of Floyd Dunavant, 15 years old, was accidentally discharged.

J. T. Coons of San Jose, Calif., is the guest of Mrs. E. R. Cunningham and Miss Martha Frost. These former Mexico residents are just now located in their new home on Promenade and their friends are bidding them welcome.

Mrs. J. A. Denham of St. Louis paid the Message a pleasant business call last Saturday. She has been visiting friends at Columbia, in Gant neighborhood and at Santa Fe.

C. W. Tanner and family of Farber are home from Nederland, Colo., where they spent the summer with relatives.

Mrs. Chas. Schneider and her sister were pleasant callers at the Message office Monday.

## VANDALIA SCHOOLS OPEN.

High School, 90; Graded, 234; Teachers' Course, 15; Non-Residents, 43.

In spite of a partial failure of crops following an almost total failure last year, the Vandalia High School has a slightly increased enrollment over that of the first week last year.

Following students are attending the Vandalia High School (for the first time and the name of school last attended):

Hazel Beeby, Vandalia Eighth Grade; Lera Branstetter, Crow School; John Wilbur Cook, Scott; Mariotta Cook, Vandalia; Elizabeth Coil, Hutchison; Morris Day, Vandalia; Ione Daniel, New Harmony; Mae Emma Dowell, Spencerburg; Ada Doyle, Vandalia; Ruth Fletcher, Carter; Mildred Featherstone, Prairie View; Lucile Gatewood, Crow; Leonard Gatewood, Crow; Alberta Griffith, Vandalia; Kenneth Hickerson, Hickory Grove; Everett Jeffries, Vandalia; Naomi Kirtley, Vandalia; Stuart Keithley, Vandalia; Selma Kristofferson, East Lick; Minor Lake, Vandalia; Mary Lemasters, Culwell; Everett McGrew, Rose School; Ardella Mitchell, Vandalia; Frank Mulherin, Prairie Lane; Marie Northcutt, Prairie Hill; Vernon O'Connor, Rose School; Willard Renner, New Michigan; Fronie Smith, Curryville; Virgie Sparks, Vandalia; Rolla Sparks, Vandalia; Madge Galloway, Lone Prairie; Maila Tolbert, Lone Prairie; Gladys Beeby, Leslie Crow, Christine Gabriel, Farber.

In the circuit court at Bowling Green last week a decree of divorce was granted Mrs. Carrie B. Creasey of Mexico against Mason Creasey. The court awarded her \$2000 gross alimony. The case will be appealed.

Miss Mary McDonough entertained a few friends Thursday evening in honor of Miss Edna Voges of St. Louis.

## AS TO THE MOR-MON CHURCH

A Well Known Mexico Man Gives Some Very Interesting Facts and Opinions

Editor Message:—The address on the Mormon question at the Mexico Chautauqua by Senator Cannon brought to mind the fact that I had lived among these people for a year—1865-6.

I was a small boy when the Mormons, finding things too warm at Independence, Mo., were testing the temper of the people around Nauvoo, Ill. But as is generally known, they found that they had only gotten out of the frying pan into the fire. Their leader, Joseph Smith, after dodging a few bullets, finally caught one, thus ending his career. The exodus from "Egypt" now began under the leadership of Brigham Young, who was chosen to succeed Smith, and who selected the present site of Salt Lake City, Utah, for the location of Zion's Jerusalem and Solomon's Modern Temple. Here they were to "enter into the land and possess it," unto the end of time. They were to become so numerous and powerful as to defy the Government of the United States and finally the whole world. There was to be another great Rebellion—Civil War, far more sanguinary than that of 1861-5. The slaughter would be so great that seven women would lay hold of the skirts of one man, pleading to bear his name, to take away their reproach. All eyes would turn Zionward for deliverance and for a government that would endure. This is a condensed epitome, revealed to me confidentially, by one of the "near Great." However, I heard pretty much the same thing from other sources; also, that it had been written and recorded.

May 4, 1865, my partner and myself took a stock of merchandise to Salt Lake City in freight wagons drawn by oxen, starting from Nebraska City, on the Missouri river. We arrived at the point of destination September 3rd. I had been previously acquainted with a Mormon merchant who advised us in regard to the venture and the kind of merchandise to take, which was to be sold to merchants.

We found a city of 12,000 people, a city pleasing to the eye, wide streets, beautiful trees, water running in the gutters of many streets. No saloons nor red lights. Liquors were sold by the administration for medical purposes only, but not many questions asked, if there were no unfavorable symptoms. There was little or no drunkenness, at least on the streets. We soon became acquainted with the business men, the lions of the church, and many others. We were friendly to all and received like treatment.

Camp Douglass, U. S. Army Headquarters, was situated on the bench of the mountain range, and east of the city, about a mile and a half. It was quite Concluded on 8th page.

## Mexico Savings Bank

Capital Stock, \$150,000.00  
43rd Year in Business.  
W. W. FRY, President.  
SAM LOCKE, Cashier.